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SUBJECT: VISIT OF FOREIGN MINISTER JOBERT TO US

1. IN LIGHT OF FOREIGN MINISTER JOBERT' S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO THE US I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO NOTE SOME RECENT NEGATIVE FRENCH ACTIONS VIS- A- VIS US OBJECTIVES IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD. WHILE IT WOULD BE PRUDENT TO WITHHOLD FINAL JUDGMENT UNTIL THE OFFICIAL TEXT CAN BE STUDIED, INITIAL REPORTS ON THE POSITIONS TAKEN BY FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES AT THE JUNE 25-26 MEETING OF THE EC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IN LUXEMBOURG (EC BRUSSELS 3520), INDICATE FRANCE WAS ABLE TO IMPOSE A SECTION ON AGRICULTURE IN THE EC OVERVIEW PAPER ON MTN WHICH IS FAR MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THE OTHER EIGHT WOULD HAVE ACCEPTED. IN OTHER WORDS THE MALMGREN- RENNER VISIT HAD POSITIVE RESPONSES FROM ALL COUNTRIES EXCEPT FRANCE.

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2. ON THE SECOND DAY OF THE EC COUNCIL MEETING, THE FRENCH VETOED A PROPOSAL TO FIND A WAY OUT OF THE ARTICLE XXIV:6 IMPASSE WHICH WOULD HAVE AUTHORIZED THE COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO EXPLORATORY TALKS WITH THE UNITED STATES. OUR REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE COUNCIL' S VOTE ON THE QUESTION WAS EIGHT TO ONE. IT ALSO APPEARS THAT THE FRENCH ARE NOW TRYING TO PREVENT THE ARTICLE 113 COMMITTEE FROM DISCUSSING THIS PROBLEM ANY FURTHER EXCEPT ON THE BASIS OF THE COUNCIL' S ORIGINAL RESTRICTIVE MANDATE.

3. AS THESE ECONOMIC ISSUES, WHICH FORM MUCH OF THE FABRIC OF US/ EC RELATIONSHIPS, APPROACH THE BEGINNING OF FORMAL MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS, THE US WILL BE INCREASINGLY FACED WITH NEED TO ELICIT A MORE HELPFUL FRENCH ATTITUDE. THEREFORE, I HOPE THESE PROBLEMS WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH JOBERT DURING HIS VISIT TO THE US.

4. BEFORE THE ABOVE COULD BE TRANSMITTED, WE RECEIVED EC BRUSSELS 3546 REPORTING ON THE EC COUNCIL' S DECISION ON THE ARTICLE XXIV:6 NEGOTIATIONS. I CONCUR IN THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS SPECIFIC ISSUE BE RAISED WITH JOBERT.
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